REMARKS

Claims 1-3, and 5-36 are pending in the present application. By this amendment, claims 1 and 26 have been amended, claim 4 has been cancelled without prejudice and claims 31-36 have been added. Claims 10-30 have been withdrawn from consideration as being drawn to a non-elected invention, the requirement having been traversed.

The undersigned confirms election of Group I, claims 1-9. However, it is respectfully submitted that claims 23 through 26 (inclusive) depend from claim 1 thus should also be included in group I. It is also believed that new claims 31-36 should be included in group I as they are directed to a snowmobile having a detachable windshield.

Claims 1 and 6 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Sykora (U.S. Patent 3,819,226) in view of Vetter (U.S. Patent 4,087,110).

Claim 1 has been amended to include the limitation found in cancelled claim 4, which was objected to by the Examiner. It is believed that claim 1 is now in condition for allowance.

Claims 2, 3, 5-9, and 23-26 recite additional features of the invention and are allowable for the same reasons discussed above with respect to claim 1 and for the additional features recited therein.

New claims 31-36 define an additional embodiment directed to a snowmobile having a detachable windshield are believed to be allowable.

Applicants appreciate the indication that claims 2-5, 7, and 9 define patentable subject matter. However, in view of the above amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that all of the pending claims are allowable and that the entire application is in condition for allowance.

Applicant submits herewith an Information Disclosure Statement filed under 37 CFR 1.97(c). The fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17 (p) is enclosed.

Should the examiner believe that anything further is desirable the examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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